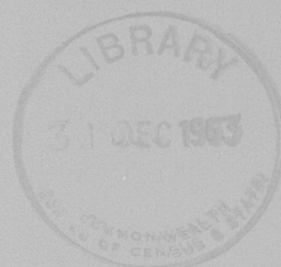


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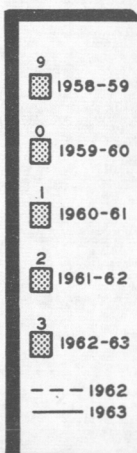
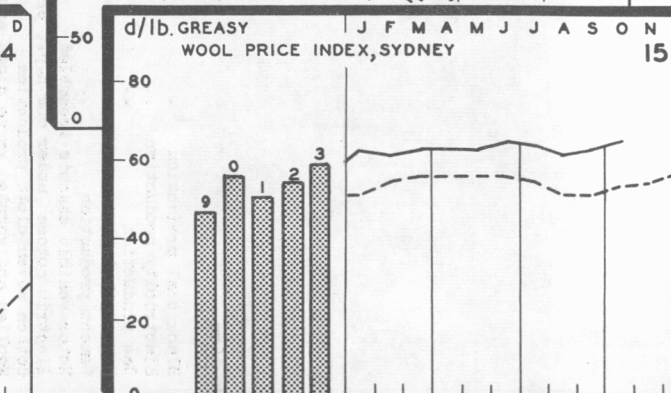
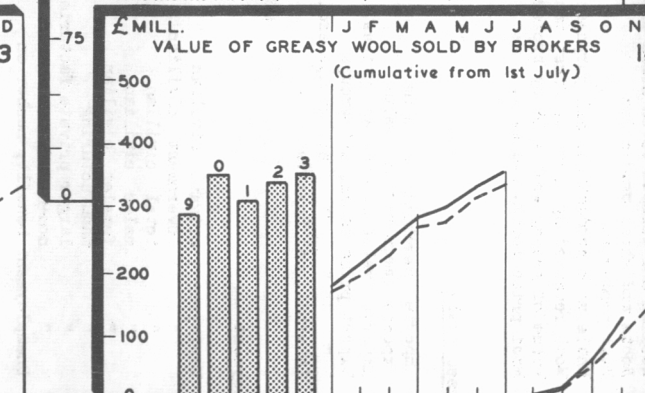
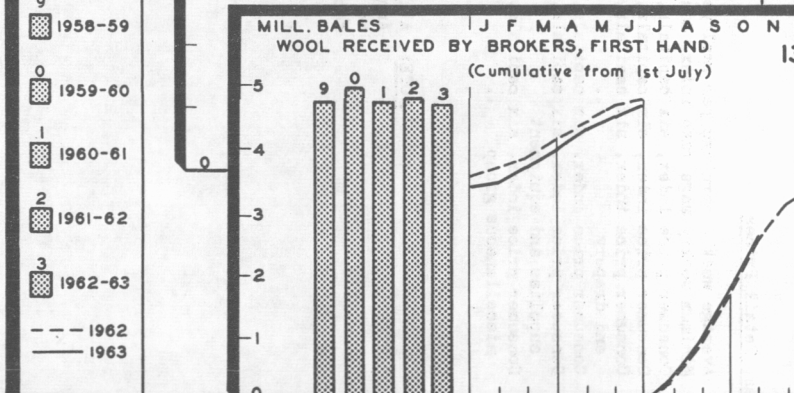
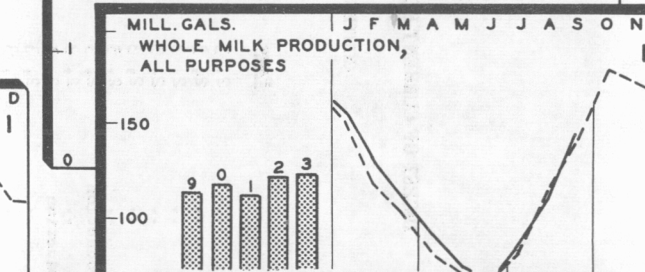
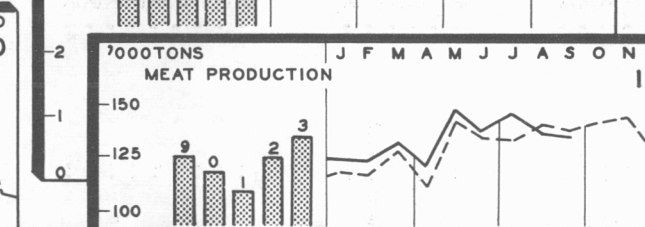
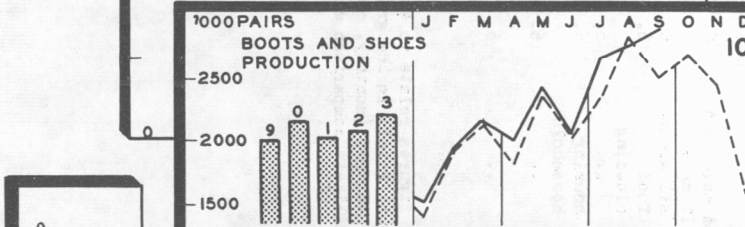
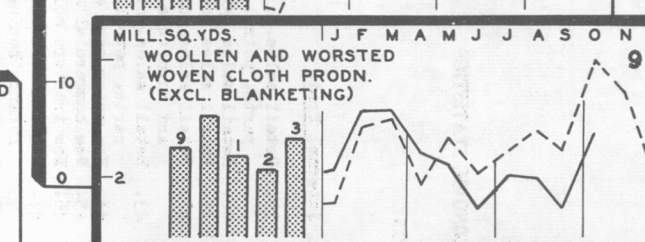
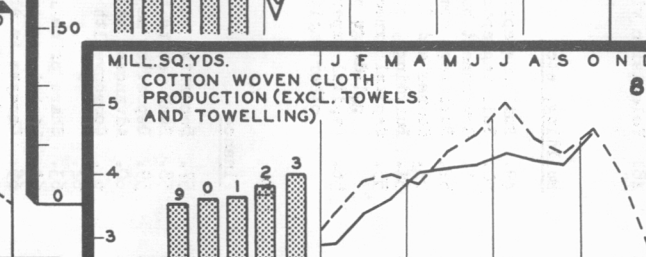
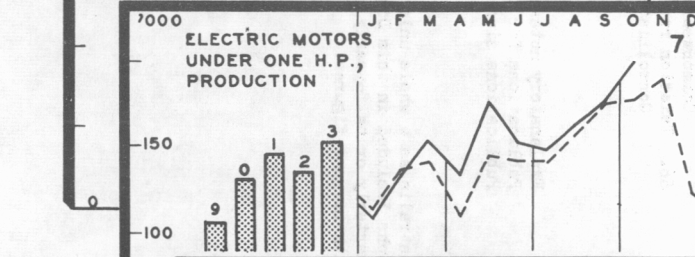
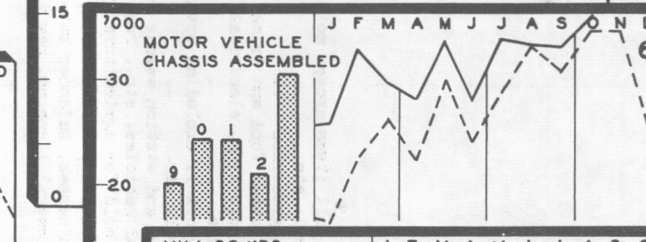
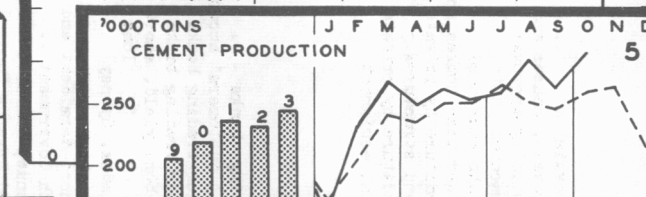
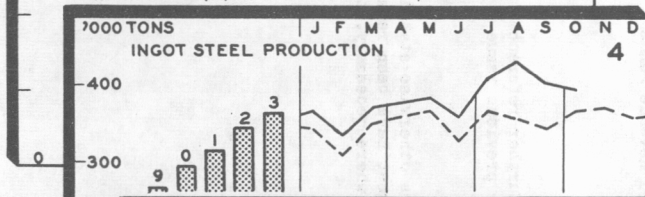
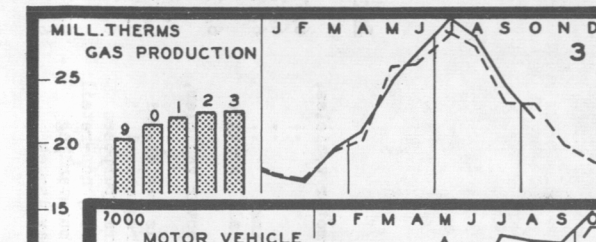
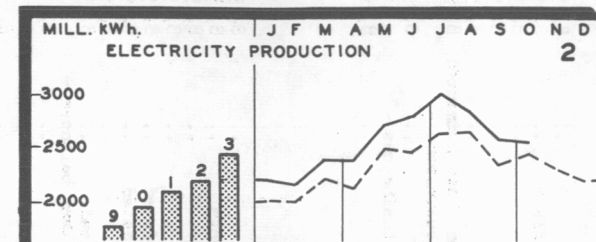
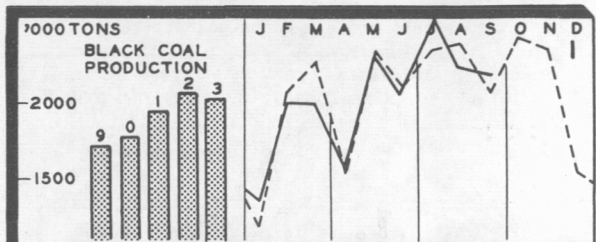
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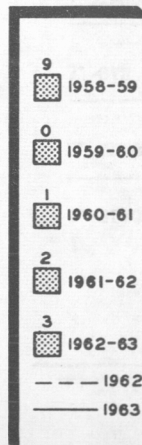
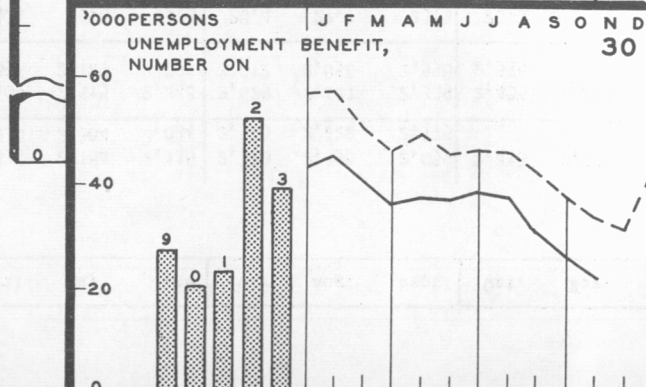
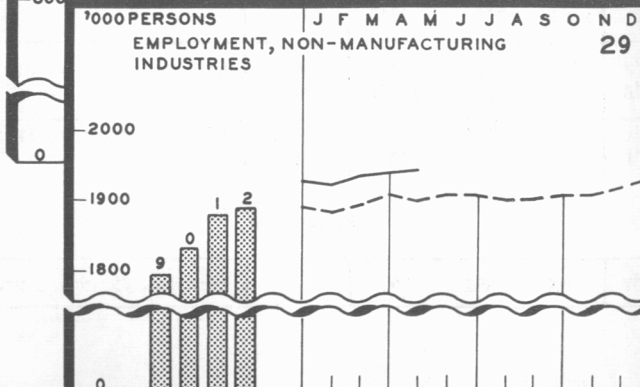
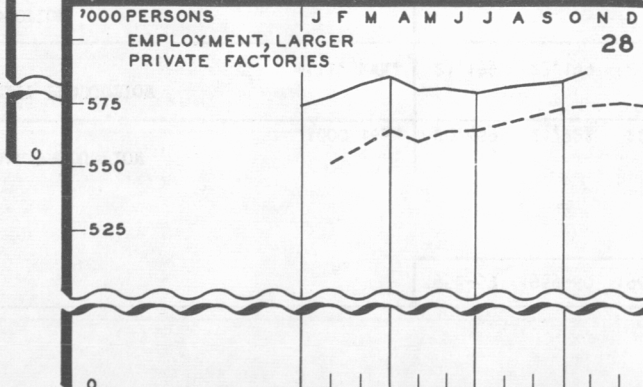
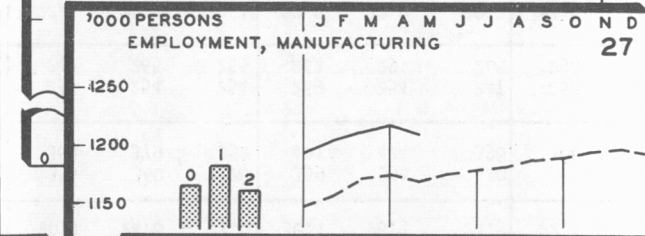
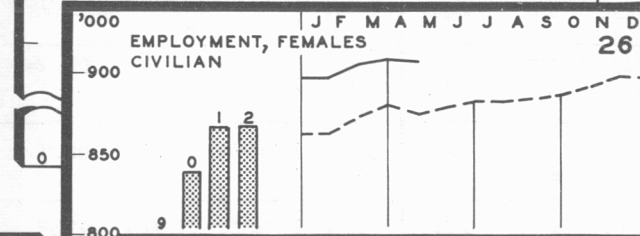
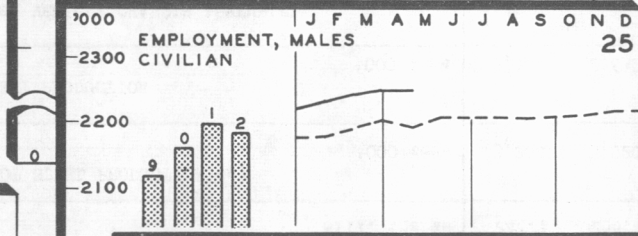
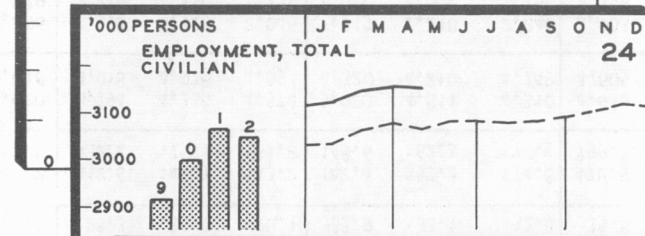
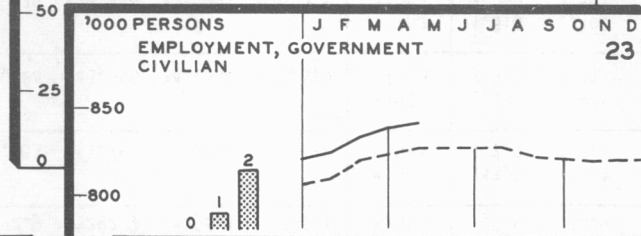
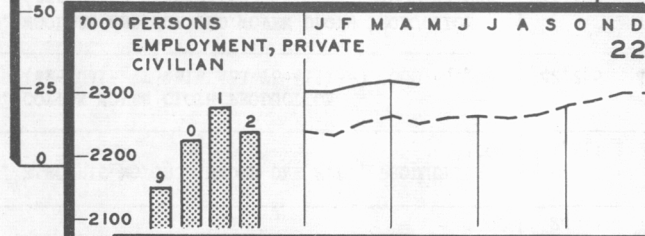
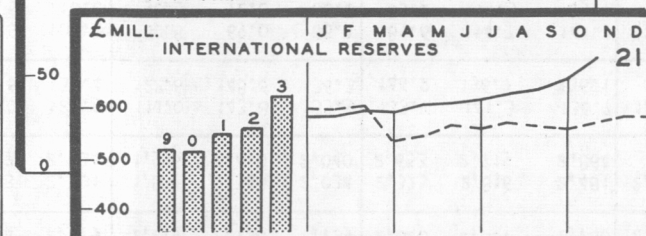
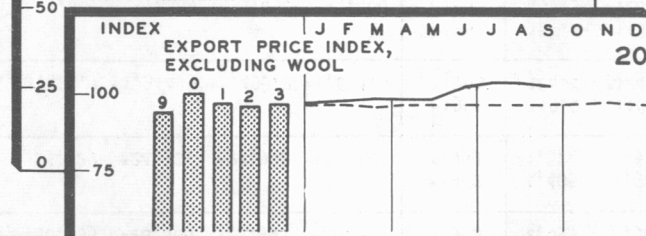
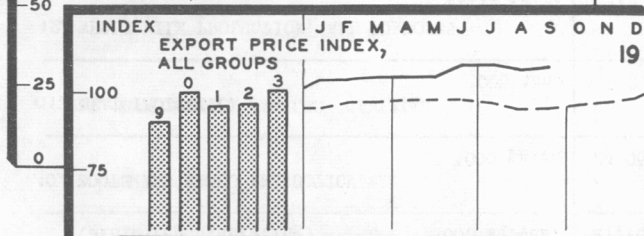
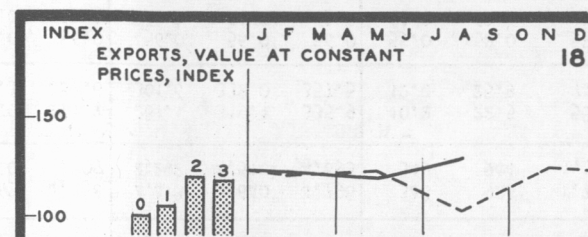
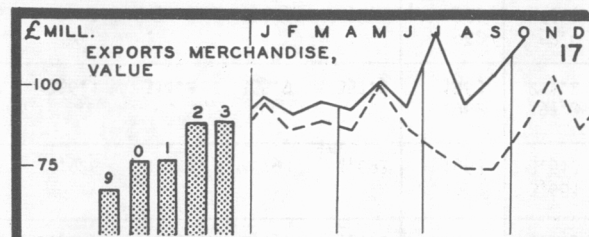
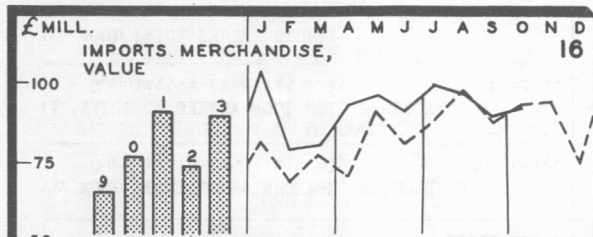




		1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
PRODUCTION																			
1. BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	20,459	21,223	22,947	*24,432	*24,299	*1962 *1963	1,223 1,364	2,082 1,976	2,269 2,018	1,535 1,530	2,184 2,304	2,115 2,034	2,323 2,545	2,395 2,222	2,059 2,175	2,413	2,326	1,557
2. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION	mill. kWh.	21,199	23,199	24,814	*26,275	*29,209	*1962 *1963	2,017 2,194	1,986 2,158	2,195 2,397	2,109 2,396	2,515 2,727	2,448 2,791	2,629 3,012	2,647 2,858	2,339 2,598	2,435 2,576	2,298	2,198
3. GAS PRODUCTION	mill. therms	244.7	256.4	263.6	*266.3	*268.3	*1962 *1963	17.7 17.6	17.2 17.1	19.4 19.5	20.3 20.9	26.0 24.8	26.3 27.0	28.4 30.1	27.7 28.3	23.3 24.5	23.3 22.1	19.9	18.8
4. INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION (a)	'000 tons	3,204	3,520	3,748	*4,076	*4,255	*1962 *1963	340 361	309 331	347 363	356 369	360 379	328 352	359 401	354 424	340 398	361 386	365	355
5. CEMENT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	2,481	2,632	*2,860	*2,809	*2,949	*1962 *1963	175 158	207 232	244 273	237 249	254 265	254 255	269 263	254 291	247 265	262 296	268	216
6. MOTOR VEHICLE CHASSIS ASSEMBLED	'000	241.1	292.9	*292.7	*256.4	*365.4	*1962 *1963	16.5 25.9	22.9 32.5	26.4 29.7	22.6 28.3	29.7 33.7	24.1 28.1	29.2 33.9	32.9 33.1	30.7 32.8	34.5 35.8	34.5	25.4
7. ELECTRIC MOTORS UNDER ONE H.P., PRODUCTION	'000	1,271	1,583	*1,751	*1,618	*1,822	*1962 *1963	113.6 107.9	136.3 134.2	141.2 153.2	112.6 132.4	147.7 175.1	143.2 151.2	142.4 148.6	157.3 162.3	174.8 176.5	178.9 199.5	190.1	124.1
8. COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding Towels and Towelling)	'000 sq.yds.	42,286	43,124	*43,695	*45,630	*47,570	*1962 *1963	3,403 2,917	3,901 3,419	4,000 3,616	3,794 4,018	4,335 4,078	4,574 4,091	5,020 4,320	4,511 4,210	4,310 4,149	4,666 4,605	4,035	2,890
9. WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding Blanketing)	'000 sq.yds.	27,265	30,235	*26,466	*24,991	*28,011	*1962 *1963	1,810 2,099	2,402 2,584	2,496 2,579	1,938 2,219	2,324 2,130	2,045 1,739	2,219 2,040	2,418 2,007	2,248 1,766	3,003 2,396	2,751	2,022
10. BOOTS AND SHOES PRODUCTION	'000 pairs	24,062	25,629	*24,307	*24,999	*26,420	*1962 *1963	1,405 1,524	1,923 1,937	2,101 2,134	1,807 1,996	2,340 2,410	2,034 2,040	2,375 2,653	2,816 2,719	2,481 2,864	2,679	2,433	1,595
11. MEAT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	1,500.6	1,425.7	*1,314.5	*1,498.2	*1,614.0	*1962 *1963	119.2 124.8	118.0 124.6	128.9 133.4	114.0 122.6	143.8 148.6	135.9 136.3	133.7 146.2	141.3 136.7	136.7 136.1	142.6	144.2	125.2
12. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES	mill. gals.	1,370	1,407	*1,339	*1,450	*1,480	*1962 *1963	151.6 155.5	118.6 128.5	104.0 110.0	80.8 90.3	69.0 72.6	65.1 66.8	81.6 83.2	114.7 111.5	141.1 145.7	178.3	174.1	166.8
13. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND Cumulative from 1st July	'000 bales	4,735	4,926	4,715	4,798	4,693	1962 1963	3,681 3,513	3,863 3,720	4,156 4,009	4,418 4,292	4,640 4,510	4,798 4,693	348 349	923 944	1,718 1,765	2,565 2,651	3,155	3,383
14. VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS Cumulative from 1st July	£ mill.	292.7	356.1	311.4	335.9	357.5	1962 1963	197.3 211.2	234.0 250.3	271.7 287.6	281.1 301.6	319.1 332.0	335.9 357.5	10.2 12.0	22.5 25.9	58.2 71.6	99.5 133.9	145.8	178.9
15. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY	pence per lb. greasy	47.5	56.3	51.5	54.1	58.4	1962 1963	52.0 63.0	55.0 62.0	56.0 63.0	56.0 63.0	56.0 63.0	56.0 65.0	55.0 64.0	52.0 62.0	52.0 63.0	54.0 66.0	55.0	57.0

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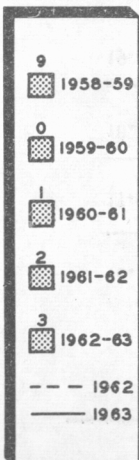
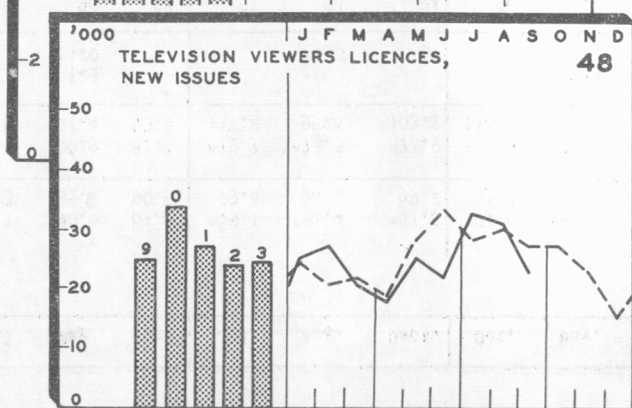
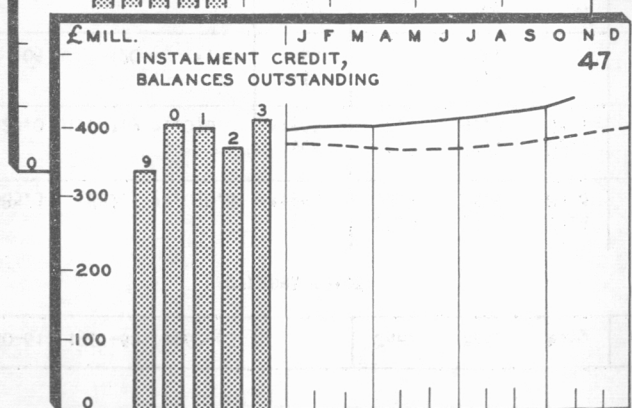
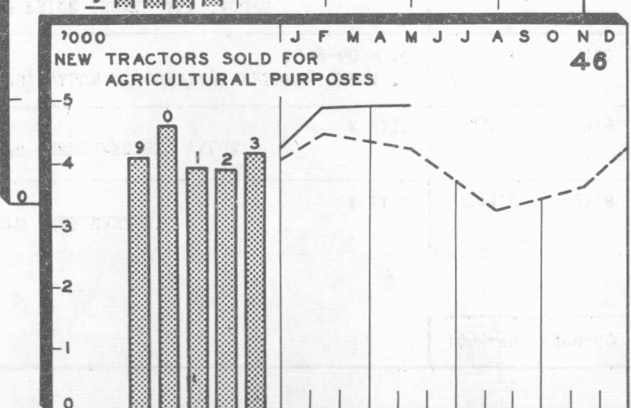
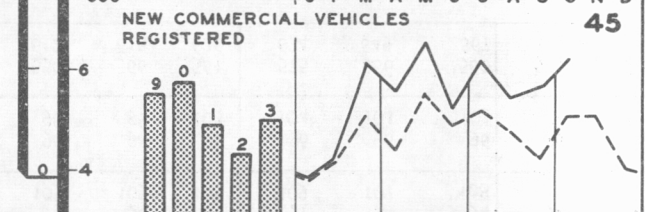
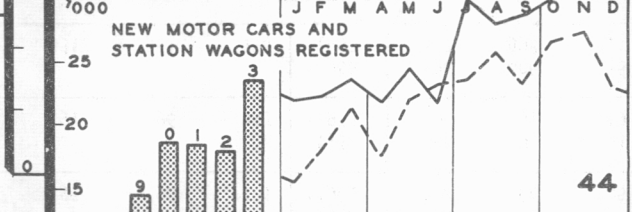
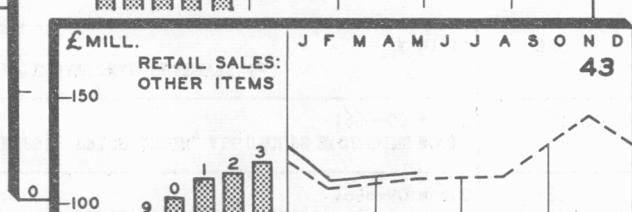
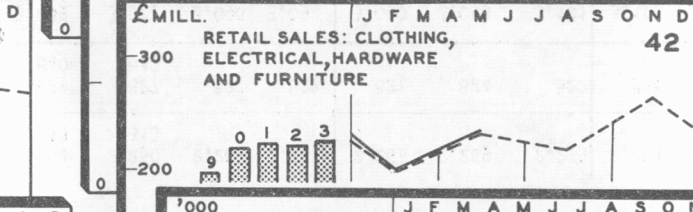
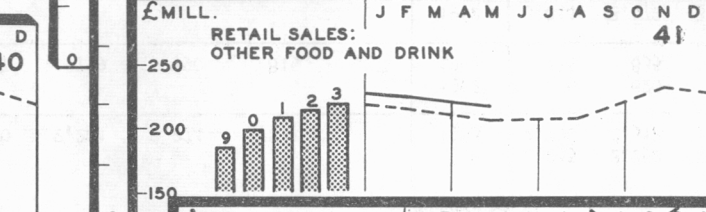
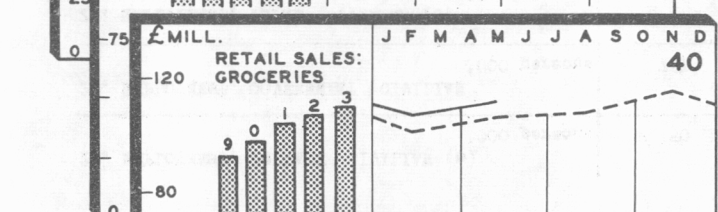
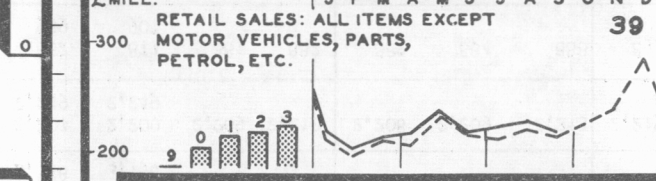
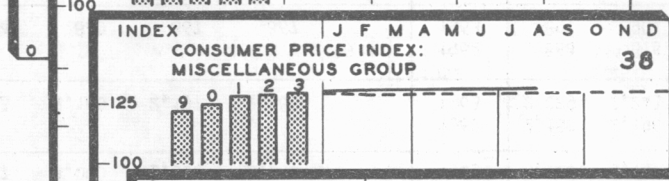
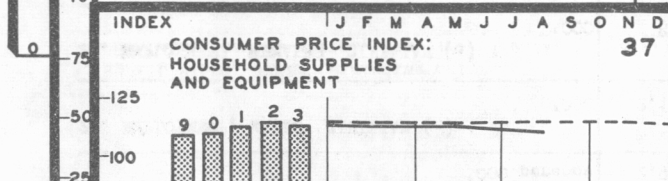
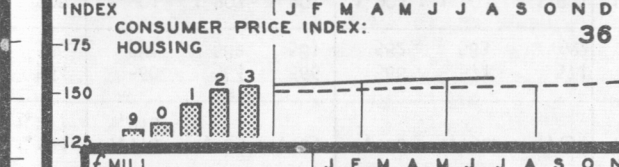
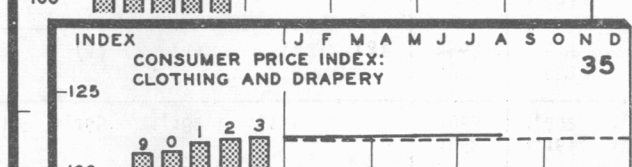
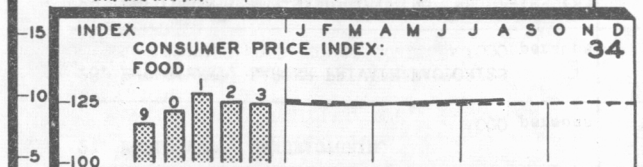
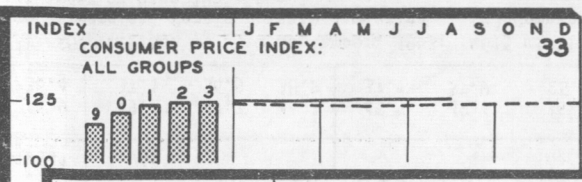
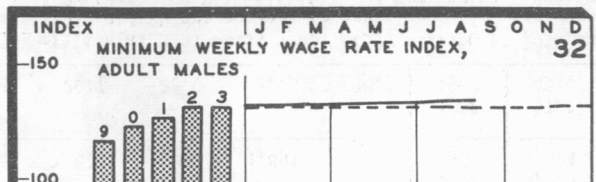
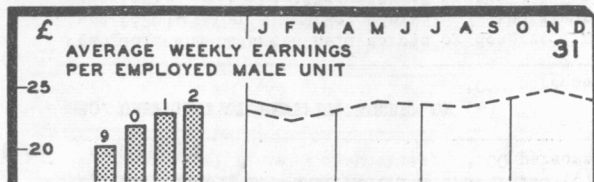




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OVERSEA TRADE																			
16. IMPORTS MERCHANDISE, VALUE	£ mill.	794.4	923.8	1,085.3	882.5	*1,078.8	1962 *1963	82.0 103.4	69.2 78.6	77.6 81.0	71.1 92.3	90.8 95.8	81.7 90.5	*89.1 99.6	*97.4 96.4	*87.5 89.2	*93.4 93.0	*95.1	*74.7
17. EXPORTS MERCHANDISE, VALUE	£ mill.	806.7	925.9	928.0	1,067.9	*1,070.0	1962 *1963	94.9 95.0	85.9 90.5	89.2 95.7	86.3 91.5	100.9 101.4	87.1 93.6	*79.7 117.2	*73.5 95.4	*73.9 103.2	*86.0 114.9	*102.2	*87.0
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, INDEX 1959-60 = 100	1959-60 = 100	100	100	105	120	*118	1962 1963		121 *122			123 *120			*103 *130			*125	
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS 1959-60 = 100	1959-60 = 100	90	100	95	96	*101	1962 *1963	94 104	97 104	97 105	98 105	98 105	98 109	97 109	94 107	94 108	96	97	*99
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING WOOL 1959-60 = 100	1959-60 = 100	94	100	97	96	*97	1962 *1963	96 96	96 97	95 99	96 98	96 98	96 103	96 104	96 104	96 103	96	97	*96
21. INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (a)	£ mill.	516	512	551	561	626	1962 1963	596 587	608 598	538 591	550 612	566 615	561 626	575 634	566 645	560 667	571 707	586	586
EMPLOYMENT (b)																			
22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE CIVILIAN (b)	'000 persons	2,150	2,221	2,274	2,237		1962 1963	2,235 2,300	2,252 2,312	2,264 2,318	2,250 2,313	2,263	2,265	2,263	2,269	2,279	2,287	2,302	2,301
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN	'000 persons	767	779	790	815		1962 1963	809 826	820 835	825 840	827 843	827	827	827	824	822	821	822	822
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	2,917	3,000	3,064	3,052		1962 1963	3,044 3,126	3,072 3,147	3,089 3,158	3,077 3,156	3,090	3,092	3,090	3,093	3,101	3,108	3,124	3,123
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	2,113	2,160	2,197	2,185		1962 1963	2,180 2,229	2,196 2,243	2,207 2,249	2,200 2,249	2,209	2,210	2,208	2,209	2,213	2,215	2,224	2,224
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	804	840	867	867		1962 1963	864 897	876 904	882 909	877 907	881	882	882	884	888	893	900	899
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING	'000 persons	1,121	1,165	1,182	1,161		1962 1963	1,161 1,202	1,176 1,212	1,184 1,217	1,176 1,210	1,183	1,185	1,186	1,190	1,194	1,200	1,202	1,197
28. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES	'000 persons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	1962 1963	552 578	559 583	564 586	560 581	564 582	566 581	568 582	571 583	574 584	575 589	576	575
29. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (c)	'000 persons	1,796	1,835	1,882	1,891		1962 1963	1,883 1,924	1,896 1,935	1,905 1,941	1,901 1,946	1,907	1,907	1,904	1,903	1,907	1,908	1,922	1,926
30. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (e)	'000 persons	27.3	20.7	23.0	52.3	38.9	1962 1963	57.1 45.0	50.1 40.3	45.9 36.4	49.1 37.1	44.7 36.5	46.3 38.2	45.5 37.1	42.6 31.9	36.9 26.6	33.8 22.3	31.8	43.2

(a) Gold and balances held abroad by Reserve Bank were £552 million at 31st July, 1963; £559 million at 28th August, 1963; £580 million at 25th September, 1963; £615 million at 30th October, 1963; and £628 million at 13th November, 1963. (b) Figures in Items 22-26 and 29 are subject to revision. (c) Excludes rural wage earners and female private domestics. (d) Comparable statistics not available. (e) Last Saturday of month. \* Preliminary. † Revised. ‡ Not available. § New series. Replaces previous index on base 1955-56 = 100.

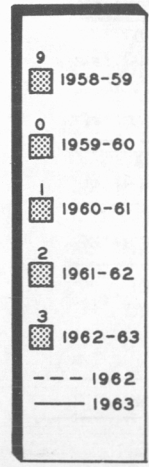
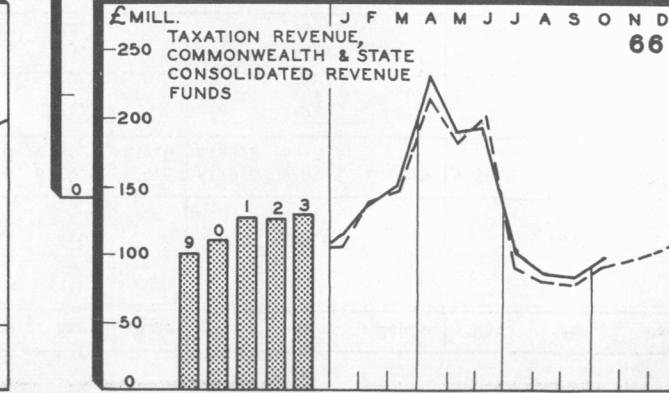
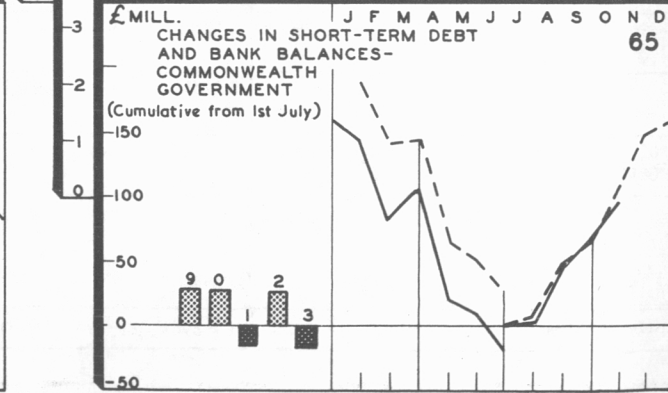
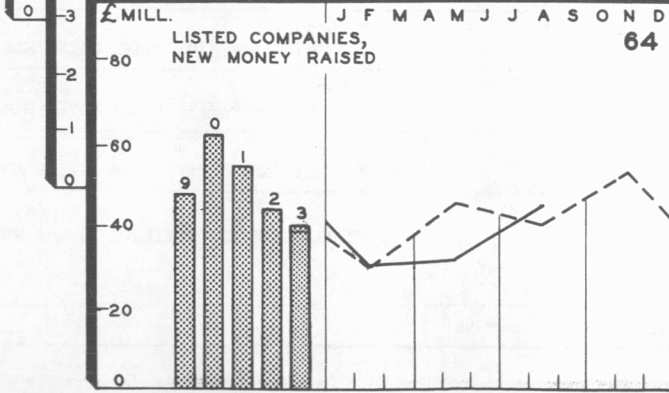
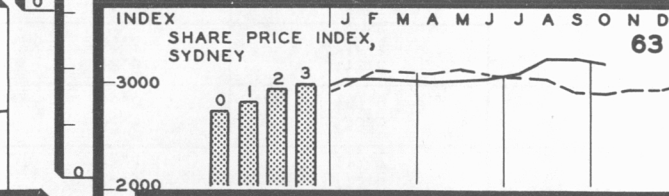
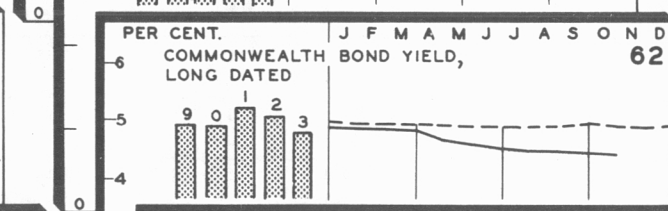
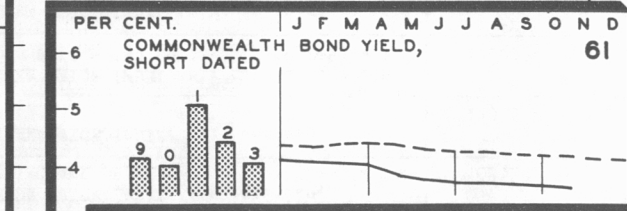
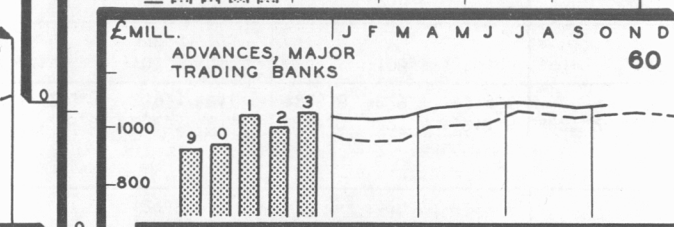
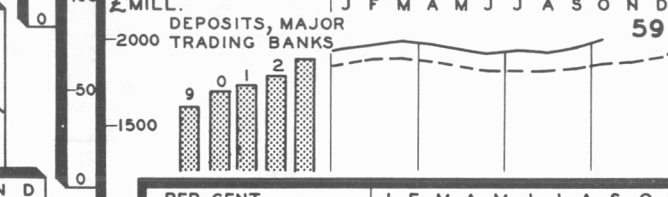
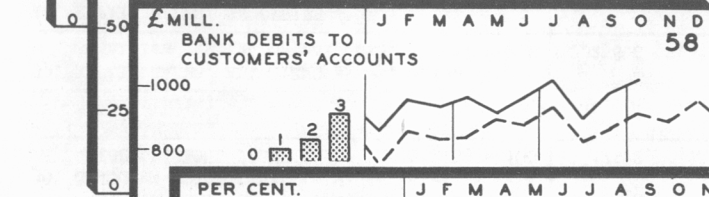
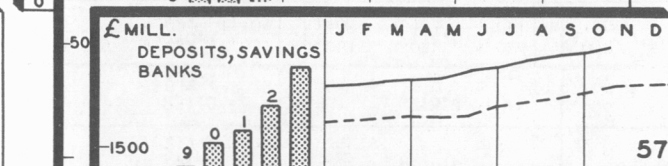
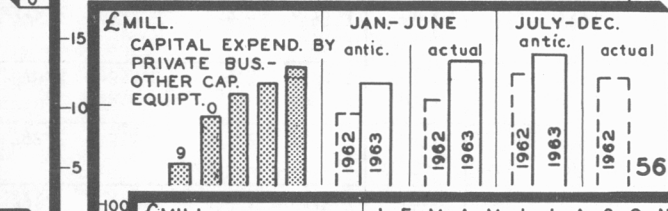
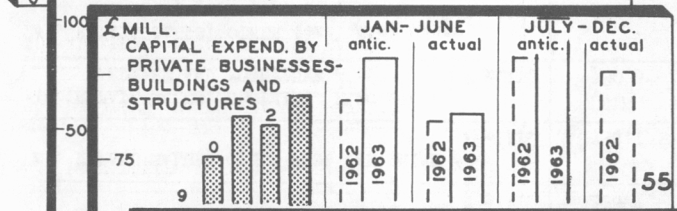
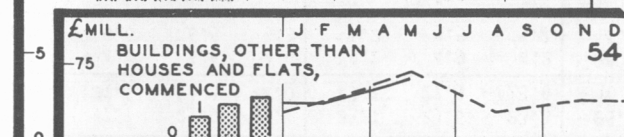
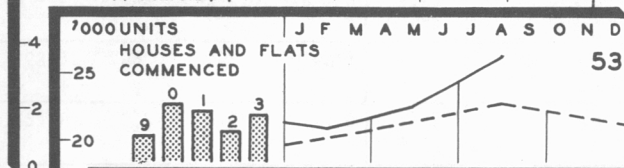
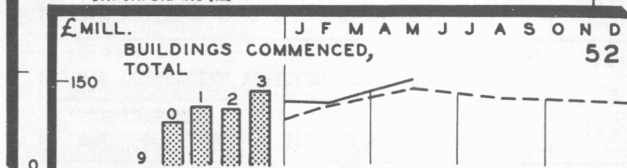
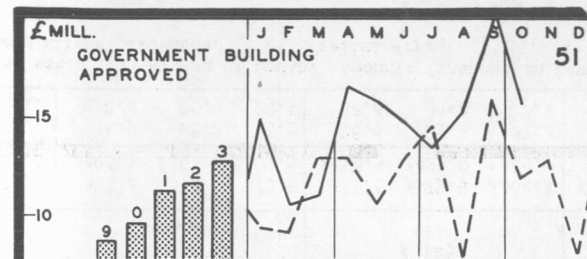
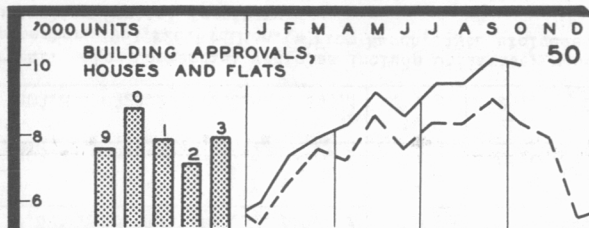
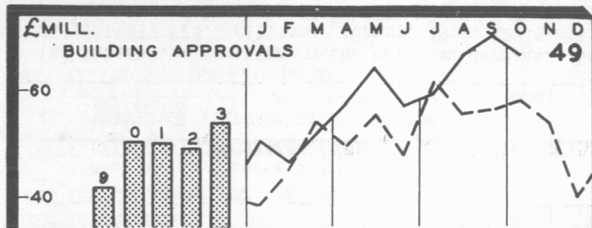




	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																		
31. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a) £	20.19	21.76	22.86	23.48		1962 1963	22.51 23.09			24.03			23.63			24.97		
32. MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX, ADULT MALES (b) 1954 = 100	115.3	121.3	125.7	129.5	£130.1	1962 1963	129.6 £129.8	129.5 129.9	129.5 129.9	£129.6 £130.8	£129.6 £131.5	£129.6 £131.8	£129.6 £132.2	£129.5 132.4	£129.5	£129.6 £129.7	£129.8	
33. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, ALL GROUPS 1952-53 = 100	116.0	118.9	123.8	124.3	124.5	1962 1963	124.1 124.5			124.0 124.9			124.3 125.1			124.4		
34. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, FOOD 1952-53 = 100	115.4	119.8	127.7	125.5	124.3	1962 1963	124.7 124.1			123.7 124.5			124.2 125.0			124.3		
35. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, CLOTHING AND DRAPERY 1952-53 = 100	108.2	109.4	111.6	112.8	113.2	1962 1963	112.9 113.2			112.9 113.4			113.0 113.7			113.2		
36. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSING 1952-53 = 100	130.6	135.2	144.8	150.7	155.0	1962 1963	151.0 155.3			152.6 156.8			153.3 157.9			154.7		
37. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT 1952-53 = 100	108.7	109.8	111.2	112.7	112.4	1962 1963	112.7 112.1			112.8 112.4			112.8 110.6			112.4		
38. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, MISCELLANEOUS GROUP 1952-53 = 100	121.2	123.9	127.3	128.1	128.8	1962 1963	128.0 129.0			128.2 129.2			128.4 129.7			128.7		
INTERNAL																		
39. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. £ mill.	2,258.6	2,474.7	2,589.5	2,632.3	£2,716.3	1962 1963	210.7 £219.6	197.8 £204.5	212.6 £215.5	208.9 220.3	232.3 239.1	214.7 *£216.9	£212.0 *£225.8	£221.6 *£229.7	£214.5 *£219.6	£227.2	£239.7	£285.4
40. RETAIL SALES, GROCERIES £ mill.	368.7	391.0	416.4	429.1	442.7	1962 1963		101.5 106.8			106.3 110.4		108.4			117.1		
41. RETAIL SALES, OTHER FOOD AND DRINK £ mill.	734.7	792.2	834.4	851.2	£883.0	1962 1963		214.9 £224.6			207.9 217.8		£208.5			£232.1		
42. RETAIL SALES, CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL, HARDWARE AND FURNITURE £ mill.	780.3	878.3	893.8	889.3	£911.2	1962 1963		196.7 £196.8			231.0 233.6		218.4			262.4		
43. RETAIL SALES, OTHER (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) £ mill.	374.9	413.2	444.9	452.7	£479.4	1962 1963		108.0 £111.4			110.7 114.5		112.8			140.7		
44. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED '000	176.3	224.1	223.1	215.9	284.9	1962 1963	15.7 21.9	18.0 22.4	21.2 23.6	17.7 21.6	21.9 24.3	23.1 22.0	23.7 29.7	25.6 27.9	23.3 28.6	26.6 30.0	27.1	22.8
45. NEW COMMERCIAL VEHICLES, ETC., REGISTERED (c) '000	66.3	68.9	59.0	52.1	60.1	1962 1963	3.8 3.8	4.2 4.2	5.1 6.1	4.4 5.6	5.5 6.5	4.9 5.3	5.2 6.2	4.9 5.5	4.2 5.7	5.1 6.2	5.1	4.1
46. NEW TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES No.	16,342	18,425	15,719	15,632	£16,719	1962 1963		4,456 4,888			4,271 4,930		£3,251			3,650		
47. INSTALLMENT CREDIT for retail sales, Non-retail finance businesses, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (d) £ mill.	336.3	403.4	397.9	373.5	£409.5	1962 1963	378.0 £404.0	373.7 £404.1	371.1 £403.6	370.4 £405.1	370.7 £407.6	373.5 £409.5	377.6 *£416.3	£379.5 *£423.0	£384.1 *£429.9	£390.3 *£439	£396.6	£401.9
48. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES, NEW ISSUES '000	300.0	403.8	323.2	288.5	293.1	1962 1963	22.2 25.5	20.7 27.8	(e)22.2 21.6	18.9 18.4	28.2 25.6	33.5 22.1	28.8 32.4	29.9 31.0	27.3 22.9	27.4	23.1	15.6

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (c) Commercial vehicles include utilities, vans, trucks, etc. (d) At end of month. Amounts financed in new agreements made were: July, 1963, £28.2 million; August, 1963, £27.5 million; September, 1963, £26.5 million. (e) From March, 1962 excludes short-term hirers' licences. \* Preliminary.  
 £ Revised. £ Items 39-43 exclude Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.







		1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
BUILDING, ETC.																			
49. BUILDING APPROVALS	£ mill.	495.8	603.7	602.1	586.0	657.9	1962 1963	38.7 50.7	44.8 46.7	53.9 52.4	49.5 57.5	55.7 64.8	48.0 57.4	62.5 60.1	55.8 67.1	56.5 671.0	58.7 67.3	54.6	40.3
50. BUILDING APPROVALS, HOUSES AND FLATS	'000 units	90.0	103.8	93.6	84.8	94.3	1962 1963	5.4 5.9	6.5 7.4	7.5 7.9	7.2 8.2	8.5 9.2	7.5 8.5	8.3 9.5	8.2 9.5	9.0 10.3	8.3 10.0	7.9	5.5
51. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	£ mill.	103.9	115.8	133.9	140.7	155.8	1962 1963	9.3 15.1	9.1 10.6	13.1 11.1	13.1 16.8	10.7 16.0	12.8 14.9	14.8 13.5	7.6 15.5	16.1 20.5	11.9 15.9	13.0	7.9
52. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL	£ mill.	432.4	523.9	552.0	543.8	575.5	1962 1963		136.7 139.6			145.9 151.0			142.8			142.1	
53. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	81.7	91.3	88.9	82.5	88.3	1962 1963		20.3 20.9			21.4 22.7			22.9 *26.4			21.8	
54. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	£ mill.	177.6	231.3	252.8	263.7	269.5	1962 1963		67.0 66.7			72.9 71.8			64.0			67.0	
55. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures (a)	£ mill.	123.0	152.1	177.1	169.2	190.5	1962 1963	(92.8 anticipated) (105.9 anticipated)			85.8 actual 89.1 actual			(106.0 anticipated) (118.0 anticipated)			101.4 actual		
56. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment (a)	£ mill.	242.3	294.4	315.9	326.0	341.0	1962 1963	(147.1 anticipated) (161.9 anticipated)			154.8 actual 175.1 actual			(168.6 anticipated) (178.1 anticipated)			165.9 actual		
FINANCE																			
57. DEPOSITS, SAVINGS BANKS	£ mill.	1,391	1,523	1,578	1,735	1,970	1962 1963	1,655 1,864	1,665 1,882	1,670 1,888	1,664 1,896	1,679 1,920	1,735 1,970	1,756 2,004	1,789 2,024	1,807 2,043	1,836 2,080	1,851	1,853
58. BANK DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS (b)	£ mill.	637	747	804	824	908	1962 1963	748 850	856 949	834 931	830 961	896 912	875 960	931 1,027	819 902	871 981	912 1,020	885	952
59. DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	£ mill.	1,603	1,708	1,729	1,807	1,904	1962 1963	1,857 1,951	1,887 1,976	1,895 1,985	1,883 1,968	1,843 1,932	1,824 1,923	1,823 1,937	1,822 1,932	1,827 1,957	1,866 2,008	1,875	1,916
60. ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	£ mill.	930	952	1,050	1,002	1,061	1962 1963	977 1,045	965 1,041	972 1,048	1,009 1,082	1,022 1,091	1,031 1,101	1,061 1,108	1,052 1,104	1,046 1,088	1,052 1,100	1,054	1,052
61. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED	per cent.	41.6	4.01	5.06	4.45	4.08	1962 1963	4.35 4.11	4.39 4.09	4.39 4.04	4.38 3.88	4.31 3.78	4.30 3.75	4.30 3.75	4.26 3.73	4.25 3.68	4.20 3.66	4.14	4.12
62. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, LONG DATED	per cent.	4.94	4.91	5.21	5.06	4.80	1962 1963	4.94 4.86	4.94 4.86	4.95 4.84	4.93 4.65	4.93 4.54	4.93 4.50	4.90 4.49	4.91 4.49	4.94 4.46	4.90 4.44	4.86	4.87
63. SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)		1,966	2,718	2,787	2,949	2,988	1962 1963	2,969 3,035	3,122 3,056	3,113 3,000	3,072 2,992	3,143 3,004	3,037 3,020	3,030 3,104	3,011 3,220	2,907 3,222	2,908 3,173	2,952	2,948
64. LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	£ mill.	190.9	248.3	218.9	175.8	*160.7	1962 1963		29.9 *30.0			46.2 *32.4			44.3 *45			54.0	
65. CHANGES IN SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES - COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT Cumulative from 1st July (d)	£ mill.	29.5	28.9	-15.8	27.0	-16.1	1962 1963	187.3 144.2	140.7 81.7	144.5 104.0	64.5 20.5	51.9 10.1	27.0 -16.1	7.1 1.7	49.0 48.0	65.2 65.8	110.7 95.4	148.0	159.6
66. TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE Consolidated Revenue Funds	£ mill.	1,225	1,360	1,543	1,539	*1,572	1962 1963	108.1 115.8	139.8 138.3	147.7 149.2	214.5 233.8	183.0 191.6	201.5 196.2	89.5 101.5	81.3 89.3	79.7 84.9	92.4 *99.9	99.4	104.4

(a) See notes, page 10. (b) Excludes debits to Australian Government accounts at City Branches. (c) Average, three years ended June, 1939 = 1000. (d) New series. \* Preliminary. † Revised.

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

For further details of these items see publications listed on page 11.

Item	Publication Reference No. (Page 11).	Item	Publication Reference No. (Page 11).
1. .. .. .	19	33-38. Consumer Price Index : New index first published 12th August, 1960. For particulars of composition and weighting see Statistical Bulletin, 891.	5
2. Total generated, including electricity not for sale .. .. .	19	39-43. Figures relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from service repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.	8
3. Total produced in gas works. .. .. .	19	44-45. Registrations passed through central registration authorities. Includes all government-owned vehicles other than Defence Services ..	26, 27
4. Includes recovery from scrap. Annual figures year ended May. .. .. .	19	46. Excludes tractors of less than 10 maximum belt pulley horsepower (wheeled) and 10 maximum draw-bar horsepower (crawler) e.g. small garden tractors.	7
5. Portland cement. .. .. .	19, 25	47. Figures relate to balances outstanding (including hiring charges and insurance) at end of period in respect of retail sales made by finance businesses which are not themselves retailers. Amounts financed - new agreements made exclude hiring charges, insurance and retailers' subsidiaries. ..	28
6. Includes monoconstruction but excludes assembled chassis imported as such. .. .. .	19, 21	48. .. .. .	16
7. Includes those made and incorporated by manufacturers in their own products. .. .. .	19, 20	49-50. Building permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. Number of houses and flats relate to individual living units ..	11
8. Includes mixtures predominantly of cotton. .. .. .	19, 22	51. Contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities for their own use, the use of their employees, rental or sale. ..	11
9. Includes mixtures predominantly of wool. .. .. .	19, 23	52. Estimated value of buildings on completion, excluding land. ..	3
10. Includes sandals and moulded plastic footwear but not slippers, sand shoes, goloshes or rubber gum boots. .. .. .	19, 24	53. Excludes conversions to flats. .. .. .	3, 4
11. In terms of fresh meat (carcass weight). Total production including estimates for meat produced from animals slaughtered on farms. .. .. .	15	54. See 52 above. .. .. .	3
12. .. .. .	12	55-56. Statistics are from returns showing actual expenditure for previous half-year and anticipated expenditure for next half-year, obtained from private businesses subject to Pay-roll Tax (other than rural, professional, gas and electricity), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses undertaking projects of more than £250,000 in any half year. Figures with slightly different coverage are available for years 1953-54 to 1956-57 inclusive. ..	2
13. Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. Bales received into selling brokers' stores for disposal, excluding quantities received for re-sale. .. .. .	-	57. Deposits at end of period - all savings banks. ..	29, 30
14. The value of wool sold at auction and privately by wool selling brokers, including wool carried over and sold and also wool resold. .. .. .	-	58. Monthly averages of weekly figures. Debits to government accounts at city branches are excluded. Figures relate to all cheque-paying banks, the Commonwealth Development Bank and the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank .. .. .	9
15. Average price which a N.S.W. clip of constant average quality would realize if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in N.S.W. They are not therefore average auction prices for the year. .. .. .	17	59-60. Monthly and annual averages of weekly figures of the Major Trading Banks, (the Commonwealth Trading Bank and the seven private trading banks). ..	9, 10
16-17. Excludes bullion and specie. F.o.b. port of shipment. .. .. .	18	61-62. Theoretical 2 year and theoretical 15 year securities. Average for the week is centred on the last Wednesday of the month. Income subject to Commonwealth Taxation less rebate of 2/- in the pound. Figures relate to last Wednesday in the month. Source: Reserve Bank. ..	16
18. The index is calculated by revaluing quantities at the average unit values for the year 1955-56. .. .. .	1	63. Average of monthly prices per £ of paid-up capital, 75 companies, adjusted for changes in capital structure. As published by Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, Sydney. .. .. .	16, 17
19-20. New index (see Statistical Bulletin S.B. 134 of 8th October, 1962). .. .. .	14	64. Companies listed on Australian stock exchanges. New money raised is the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to the issuing companies through the issue of shares, debentures, notes and similar securities and the acceptance of deposits. The investing public includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and government and private superannuation funds, but excludes other government agencies. ..	6
21. Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). Source: Reserve Bank. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. .. .. .	-	65. .. .. .	16
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27. Figures for periods to June, 1962 are based on the results of annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1962 the figures are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns and returns of Government employment. .. .. .	13		
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30. Excludes persons receiving sickness or special benefits and persons receiving the special benefits paid to migrants in reception and training centres. .. .. .	13		
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